



## **RCRAInfo Biennial Report Functions**

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## **Biennial Report (BR) Functions**

- Biennial Report data load
- Biennial Report data view

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## Biennial Report data load

### ☼ Process

- Implementer produces flat files according to file specification
- State sends files to region, or directly places files on EPA Unix server
- Regional System Administrator loads files into RCRAInfo database
- When complete, Region notifies HQ to begin data quality assessment

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## Biennial Report data load (part 2)

### ☼ Load Processing

- BR load reads flat files and loads them into Oracle tables
- Records containing basic edit errors are rejected
- BR reporting database constructed as part of load
- Load started using standard Web interface
- Browser may be closed after load started

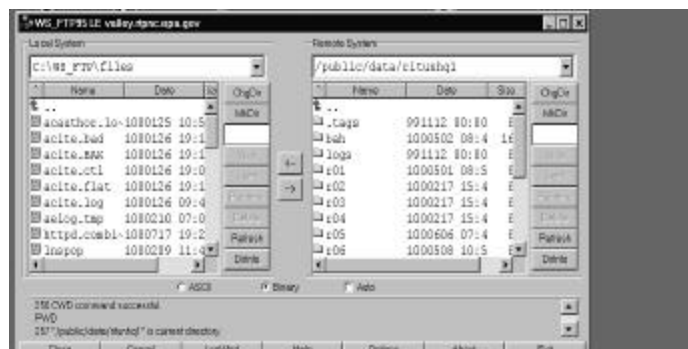
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## Flat file placement

- For now, HQ pays costs for all file storage
- Files placed on Unix server in account /public/data/ritunhq1/rXX
- Options for file placement
  - State places files on EPA server. Requires FTP software, SecuRemote, fixed IP address
  - State emails files to region. OSW recommends encryption, authentication using PGP ([www.pgp.com](http://www.pgp.com))
  - NTSD FTP drop-off service. Not recommended
  - Regions FTPs from state FTP site
  - State sends CD-rom (or other media) to state

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## Flat file placement



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## Starting the load

The screenshot shows a web form titled "Biennial Report Implementer Flat File Load Utility". At the top left is the EPA logo with the text "United States Environmental Protection Agency". At the top right is the BCRA logo. Below the title, it says "Enter the following information:". There are four dropdown menus: "For which State Postal Code?", "Origin Code:", "Julian Date:", and "Report Cycle:" (which is set to "1999"). Below these is a text input field for "Full path of where your control file resides (including trailing '/'):". At the bottom left is a "Load" button, and at the bottom right is a "Go To" button. The URL "URL: BR\_load.asp" is displayed at the bottom right of the form area.

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## Common Errors

- Unix is case sensitive, all file names must be in uppercase
- Control file records must be in uppercase
- Control file must contain an S1 record
- Usually easier to fix files on PC than to edit files on Unix server

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## Flat file load results

- Results communicated through standard web interface.

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## Load Status Report

Select the State to view status:

Report Cycle	State	File Name	File Type	Load Started	Load Completed	Reported Number of Records	Records Loaded	Records Rejected	Status
1009	HI	HR01148.FIL	S1	N	N	37	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR02148.FIL	S2	N	N	37	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR03148.FIL	S5	N	N	10	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR00148.FIL	G1	N	N	1792	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR02148.FIL	G2	N	N	2909	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR03148.FIL	G5	N	N	1972	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR06148.FIL	G6	N	N	49	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR07148.FIL	G7	N	N	2334	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR08148.FIL	G8	N	N	280	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR01148.FIL	R1	N	N	2051	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR02148.FIL	R2	N	N	3074	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR04148.FIL	R4	N	N	2051	0	0	NOT STARTED
1009	HI	HR05148.FIL	R5	N	N	75	0	0	NOT STARTED

**Load Report**  
1:37:52 PM, 8/7/19/2000 Processing started for: HRCL148.FIL  
1:37:52 PM, 8/7/19/2000 Control file processing ended.  
1:37:52 PM, 8/7/19/2000 Batch job successfully started.

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## How do I get started testing

- Contact Michael Hillard (703-308-9034) for proper account authorization
- Obtain/construct flat files to load
- Install FTP software on your desktop (regions may have standard installations)

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## BR data access, user interface

- User interface undergoing preliminary design
- No data entry allowed. Data changes only through data load
- Data for BR cycles 1989, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, and 1999 will be available
- User interface expected to compliment data quality analysis and National Reporting

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## **End of Presentation**

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